



Ninety-Seventh Legislature - First Session - 2001
Committee Statement
LB 557

Hearing Date: February 2, 2001

Committee On: Health and Human Services

Introducers: (Jensen)

Title: Provide an exemption from respiratory care licensure requirements

Roll Call Vote – Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File

X Advanced to General File with Amendments

Indefinitely Postponed

Vote Results:

6	Yes	Senator Jensen, Byars, Suttle, Price, Cunningham and Erdman
	No	
	Present, not voting	
1	Absent	Senator Maxwell

Proponents:

Senator Jim Jensen
Troy Stentz
Leigh Heithoff
Marcy Wyrnes
Jeff Gonzalez

Representing:

Introducer
Somnos Sleep Disorders Center
Bryan/LGH Medical Center
Nebraska Society of Respiratory Care
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Opponents:

Cindy Dahl
Chris Akers
Tracy Nutter

Representing:

Self
Self
Self

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes: The bill amends section 71-1,235 to provide that "the performance of therapeutic procedures by a registered polysomnographic technologist relating to the testing of sleep disorders" is not prohibited under statutes regulating the practice of respiratory care.

Explanation of amendments, if any: The committee amendment requires the board of respiratory care to prescribe rules and regulations for therapeutic procedures permitted in the bill.

Senator Jim Jensen, Chairperson